

We Want to Hear From You

The U.S. Army has completed a Revised Proposed Plan for the Rocky Mountain Arsenal (RMA) On-Post Operable Unit for Section 36 Lime Basins and Former Basin F. The preferred remedial alternatives are a change from the alternatives selected in the 1996 On-Post Record of Decision (ROD). While designing the Lime Basins project, it became apparent that conditions were significantly different than originally anticipated. Specifically, the ROD anticipated a smaller amount of contaminated waste from Lime Basins to be placed in RMA's on-site triple-lined landfill (landfill). Later studies showed a much larger volume of waste would need to be excavated resulting in a more complicated excavation and a significant increase in short-term risks to workers and the surrounding community. Therefore, the Army is proposing not to excavate this site.

Because of this proposed change, additional space would be available in the landfill. The Army then evaluated the Former Basin F project, which contains the highest level of contaminated soil on-site, and determined it could be excavated and placed into the landfill. The original remedy called for the soil to be left in place with a protective cover over the site.

The remedial alternatives for the two projects are evaluated together in this Proposed Plan because the preferred remedial alternative for Former Basin F is dependent on the selection of the preferred remedial alternative for the Lime Basins.

A public meeting will be held to take comments on the Proposed Plan

Date: May 12, 2005

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Commerce City Recreational Center, 6060 Parkway Drive, Commerce City, CO

A 30-day public comment period on this document will begin on April 20, 2005 and end on May 20, 2005. The Army will select alternatives and issue a ROD Amendment after reviewing and considering all comments submitted during the public comment period.

This document, along with the Administrative Record and documents supporting the cleanup, are available at the RMA Joint Administrative Record and Document Facility (JARDF), 303-289-0362, open M-F 12 - 4:00 p.m. and by appointment and at the EPA Superfund Records Center, 303-312-7287, open M-F 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Comments on this Plan are requested by May 20, 2005. Written questions/concerns should be directed to: Ms. Peggy Machamer, RVPRO, RMA, Building 111, Commerce City, CO 80022-1748; 303-289-0300, fax 303-289-0582; E-mail at pao@rma.army.mil.